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Follow-up to the outcome of the Millennium Summit

Note verbale dated 20 July 2005 from the Permanent Mission of Costa Rica to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

The Permanent Mission of Costa Rica presents its compliments to the Secretary-General of the United Nations and has the honour to enclose a document, entitled "Elections by fatigue: some considerations on the proposed election procedure for new permanent members of the Security Council", prepared by the Government of Costa Rica as a contribution to the current efforts to reform and revitalize the Security Council and the United Nations at large.

The Permanent Mission of Costa Rica would like to request that the document enclosed be distributed as a document of the General Assembly under agenda items 53 and 55.

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Annex to the note verbale dated 20 July 2005 from the Permanent Mission of Costa Rica to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General

Elections by fatigue: some considerations on the proposed election procedure for new permanent members of the Security Council

As noted by the High-Level Panel on Threats, Challenges and Change, "the effectiveness of the global collective security system, as with any other legal order, depends ultimately not only on the legality of decisions but also on the common perception of their legitimacy ...". In this context, the overriding goal of all efforts to reform the Security Council must be to make the Council more legitimate and, therefore, more effective. Therefore, when we consider proposals for the expansion of the Security Council and, in particular, proposals for the possible creation of new permanent members (for example A/59/L.64 and A/59/L.67), we must examine whether those initiatives would enhance the legitimacy of the Security Council.

If there were a broad agreement to enlarge the Security Council in the category of permanent members, the selection of the new permanent members would not be contentious: their names would arise naturally from the general and overwhelming agreement that one or more States are qualified to contribute to the maintenance of international peace and security to such a high degree that their continuous presence in the Council is not only desirable but indispensable. Conversely, a contentious electoral process, with aggressive and even negative campaigning, lobbying and secret bilateral deals, could jeopardize the legitimacy of the Council as a whole and weaken the collective security mechanism on which we all depend.

The legitimacy of new permanent members would be open to even more question if they are elected after many rounds of voting, increasing their support slowly, round by round, not because of their inherent merits but due to the exhaustion of the General Assembly. This scenario, the election of new permanent members by fatigue, is, in fact, quite likely to occur under some of the proposals currently under consideration, that foresee an open-ended electoral process — a process without any limits on the maximum number of rounds permissible.

Statistical evidence on the elections to fill non-permanent seats in the Security Council throws some light on the proposed procedure to select new permanent members, even though the stakes in those elections are much lower. The evidence shows, specifically, that elections by fatigue are in fact quite common. Out of the 60 elections for non-permanent seats held in the period from 1946 to 2004, in only 28 elections were the available seats filled in the first round of voting. In the other 32 elections, the General Assembly held an average of 13 rounds of votes. Some elections were particularly dramatic. The 1955 election required 36 rounds of votes and took over two months, from 14 October to 20 December. The 1959 election required 52 rounds of voting, scattered from 12 October to 12 December. These two elections concluded when the candidates agreed to share the mandate, so that each one occupied the non-permanent seat for one year.[a] The 1979 election saw an

[a] In commenting on a "gentlemen's agreement" to share the mandate in the Security Council, Mr. Mishra, Permanent Representative of India, stressed that such an agreement "is a private arrangement between two delegations and that it cannot, under the Charter, bind the Assembly" (General Assembly, 1245th meeting, eighteenth session, 1 November 1963).

unprecedented 155 rounds of voting. The General Assembly was forced to continue the election the following year, after the date at which the new member was supposed to have taken its seat in the Council. Eventually, both candidates withdrew in favour of a third State, which was endorsed to occupy the seat in question (see table attached).

Elections by fatigue can take a heavy toll on the legitimacy and effectiveness of the Security Council. Commenting on this situation, and to cite an earlier example, Sir Pierson Dixon, the Permanent Representative of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland said at the eleventh session of the General Assembly:

> "We all remember with discomfort the protracted difficulties with which we met at the tenth session in filling one of the non-permanent seats on the Security Council. That was an unpleasant experience and led to much criticism of the United Nations. (...) Of course we do not want anything of the kind to happen again. However, I believe that it probably will unless some remedial action is taken. And conceivably the difficulties that have in the past applied to only one of the non-permanent seats might spill over to others of them. That is a very disquieting prospect." (General Assembly, 622nd meeting, eleventh session, 17 December 1956)

The discomfort and disquieting prospects mentioned by Sir Pierson would be even greater if what it is at stake in a protracted election is the unusual privilege of occupying a permanent seat in the Security Council.

Furthermore, it should be noted that, under the proposed rules for the election of new permanent members, a protracted electoral process might occur even if there is only one candidate running for each available seat. Even if they do not face any opposition, the candidates might, for one reason or another, be unable to obtain the required majority of two thirds of the Member States of the United Nations.

The open-ended character of the electoral process creates another problem: that there is no pre-established workable agreement that could serve to end an otherwise protracted electoral process. Unlike the elections for non-permanent seats, in which the candidates may agree to share the mandate, taking one year each, a permanent seat, by its nature, cannot be divided, even if candidates wish to do so. Moreover, the candidates cannot withdraw in favour of a consensus third State because, as contemplated in some proposals, only those States that submit their candidature at the start of the process are eligible. Under these conditions, the General Assembly might be faced with a difficult choice: either to elect by fatigue a State that most would prefer not to see as a permanent member, thus eroding the legitimacy of the Security Council as a whole, or leaving empty one of the new permanent seats, thus calling into question the validity of the whole exercise.

Costa Rica is convinced that the threat of elections by fatigue to the legitimacy of an enlarged Security Council is of such magnitude that it is indispensable to adopt proper safeguards to ensure that, if the General Assembly decides to create new permanent members, there would be a minimum number of rounds and that only those States that enjoy the support of the overwhelming majority of Member States would ever become permanent members.

In raising the need for proper safeguards, Costa Rica is not endorsing the proposed enlargement of the Security Council in the permanent member category, but simply seeking to ensure that the proposed election procedure be as credible and as legitimate as possible.

Enclosure

Elections for non-permanent members of the Security Council: a comprehensive review 1946-2004

The following table contains 3 columns: the first column chronologically orders the elections for non-permanent members by General Assembly session and meeting [General Assembly sessions are identified in bold type as UNGA followed by the respective number; meetings are identified by the corresponding number and date]. The second column contains the total number of rounds of voting for each election and details each election round, with the number of valid votes, the number of abstentions and an indication as to whether the round of voting was restricted or unrestricted. The third column lists the results by number of votes received, with those Member States that receive the required two-thirds majority or more identified in bold type. In some cases, additional information is offered, such as withdrawal of candidatures, agreements between candidates to share the two-year term and other information that was considered relevant.

Elections for non-permanent members of the Security Council: a comprehensive review 1946-2004

General Assembly session	Election rounds	Candidate countries and votes
1946 UNGA1	**4 Rounds**	
4th 12-01-46	Round 1: 51 votes	**Brazil** 47, **Egypt** 45, **Mexico** 45, **Poland** 39, **Netherlands** 37, Canada 33, Australia 28, Iran 6, Norway 5, Czechoslovakia 4, Denmark 2, Belgium 1, Ethiopia 1, Greece 1, Luxembourg 1, New Zealand 1, Turkey 1, Yugoslavia 1
	Round 2: 51 votes, restricted	Australia 27, Canada 23
5th 12-01-46	Round 3: 51 votes, restricted	Australia 28, Canada 23 [withdrew]
	Round 4: 51 votes, restricted	**Australia** 46, Canada 3
1946 UNGA1	**1 Round**	
48th 19-11-46	Round 1: 54 votes	**Colombia** 51, **Syria** 45, **Belgium** 43, India 13, Norway 4, Canada 1, Cuba 1, Greece 1, Turkey 1
1947 UNGA2	**12 Rounds**	
92nd 30-09-47	Round 1: 57 votes	**Argentina** 41, **Canada** 41, Ukrainian SSR 33, India 29, Czechoslovakia 8, Uruguay 8, Chile 2, Ethiopia 1, Greece 1, Guatemala 1, Philippines 1
	Round 2: 56 votes, restricted	Ukrainian SSR 29, India 24
93rd 30-09-47	Round 3: 56 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Ukrainian SSR 29, India 25
	Round 4: 57 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Ukrainian SSR 30, India 25
	Round 5: 57 votes, restricted	Ukrainian SSR 33, India 23
	Round 6: 57 votes, unrestricted	Ukrainian SSR 34, India 22
	Round 7: 57 votes, unrestricted	Ukrainian SSR 33, India 23
94th 01-10-47	Round 8: 56 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Ukrainian SSR 31, India 23
	Round 9: 57 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Ukrainian SSR 32, India 24
96th 20-10-47	Round 10: 55 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Ukrainian SSR 29, India 24
	Round 11: 57 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Ukrainian SSR 30, India 25 [withdrew]
109th 13-11-47	Round 12: 54 votes, 15 abstentions, unrestricted	**Ukrainian SSR** 35, India 2
1948 UNGA3	**4 Rounds**	
149th 08-10-48	Round 1: 53 votes	**Cuba** 52, **Norway** 44, Egypt 30, Turkey 23, Denmark 3, Pakistan 2, New Zealand 1, Siam 1, Sweden 1
	Round 2: 56 votes, restricted	Egypt 34, Turkey 20
	Round 3: 56 votes, restricted	Egypt 36, Turkey 19
	Round 4: 57 votes, restricted	**Egypt** 38, Turkey 19
1949 UNGA4	**2 Rounds**	
231st 20-10-49	Round 1: 58 votes	**Ecuador** 57, **India** 56, Yugoslavia 37, Czechoslovakia 20, Afghanistan 1, Philippines 1
	Round 2: 59 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	**Yugoslavia** 39, Czechoslovakia 19

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1950 UNGA5	**14 Rounds**	
290e 29-09-50	Round 1: 59 votes	**Brazil** 57, **Netherlands** 47, Turkey 32, Lebanon 30, Sweden 2, Yemen 2, **Bolivia 1, Burma 1**
	Round 2: 60 votes, restricted	Turkey 34, Lebanon 26
	Round 3: 60 votes, restricted	Turkey 36, Lebanon 24
	Round 4: 60 votes, restricted	Turkey 35, Lebanon 25
	Round 5: 60 votes, unrestricted	Turkey 36, Lebanon 24
	Round 6: 60 votes, unrestricted	Turkey 33, Lebanon 26
	Round 7: 60 votes, unrestricted	Turkey 35, Lebanon 35
	Round 8: 60 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Turkey 35, Lebanon 24
291e 29-09-50	Round 9: 58 votes, restricted	Turkey 33, Lebanon 25
	Round 10: 60 votes, restricted	Turkey 36, Lebanon 24
	Round 11: 60 votes, unrestricted	Turkey 35, Lebanon 25
	Round 12: 60 votes, unrestricted	Turkey 36, Lebanon 24
294e 07-10-50	Round 13: 60 votes, unrestricted	Turkey 33, Lebanon 27 [withdrew]
	Round 14: 60 votes, 3 abstentions, restricted	**Turkey** 53, Lebanon 4
1951 UNGA6	**12 Rounds**	
349e 06-12-51	Round 1: 60 votes	**Chile** 57, **Pakistan** 55, Greece 30, Argentina 1, Australia 1, Byelorussian SSR 26, Colombia 1, El Salvador 1, Philippines 1
	Round 2: 60 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Greece 30, Byelorussian SSR 29
	Round 3: 60 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Greece 30, Byelorussian SSR 29
	Round 4: 60 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Byelorussian SSR 30, Greece 29
	Round 5: 60 votes, unrestricted	Byelorussian SSR 32, Greece 24, Philippines 3, El Salvador 1
	Round 6: 60 votes, unrestricted	Byelorussian SSR 31, Greece 25, Philippines 3, El Salvador 1
	Round 7: 60 votes, unrestricted	Byelorussian SSR 33, Greece 24, Philippines 3
	Round 8: 60 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Byelorussian SSR 32, Greece 27
356e 20-12-51	Round 9: 58 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Greece 36, Byelorussian SSR 20
	Round 10: 59 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Greece 35, Byelorussian SSR 20, Sweden 2, Burma 1
	Round 11: 59 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Greece 38, Byelorussian SSR 17, Sweden 2, Burma 1
	Round 12: 59 votes, 4 abstentions, restricted	**Greece** 39, Byelorussian SSR 16
1952 UNGA7	1 Round	
389e 25-10-52	Round 1: 60 votes	**Colombia** 58, **Lebanon** 58, **Denmark** 56
1953 UNGA8	**8 Rounds**	
450e 05-10-53	Round 1: 60 votes, 1 abstention	**Brazil** 56, **New Zealand** 48, Turkey 32, Poland 18, Philippines 17, Czechoslovakia 2, Ecuador 2, Mexico 1
	Round 2: 60 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Turkey 38, Poland 20

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1953 UNGA8	Round 3: 60 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Turkey 37, Poland 22
continued	Round 4: 60 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Turkey 36, Poland 23
	Round 5: 60 votes, unrestricted	Turkey 31, Poland 18, Philippines 11
	Round 6: 60 votes, unrestricted	Turkey 33, Poland 16, Philippines 11
	Round 7: 60 votes, unrestricted	Turkey 35, Poland 15, Philippines 10
	Round 8: 60 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	**Turkey** 40, Poland 19
1954 UNGA9	**1 Round**	
492nd 06-10-54	Round 1: 58 votes	**Iran** 56, **Peru** 56, **Belgium** 52, Burma 1, Haiti 1, India 1, Panama 1
1955 UNGA10	**36 Rounds**	
534th 14-10-55	Round 1: 59 votes, 1 abstention	**Cuba** 53, **Australia** 42, Poland 34, Philippines 33, Indonesia 2, Thailand 2, South Africa 1, Yugoslavia 1
	Round 2: 59 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Philippines 35, Poland 23
	Round 3: 59 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Philippines 38, Poland 20
	Round 4: 59 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Philippines 36, Poland 20
	Round 5: 59 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Philippines 30, Yugoslavia 25, Poland 1, Yemen 1
	Round 6: 59 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Philippines 29, Yugoslavia 28
535th 19-10-55	Round 7: 59 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Philippines 31, Yugoslavia 27
	Round 8: 59 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Philippines 30, Yugoslavia 28
	Round 9: 59 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Philippines 31, Yugoslavia 27
538th 27-10-55	Round 10: 57 votes, 3 abstentions, restricted	Philippines 30, Yugoslavia 24
	Round 11: 58 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Philippines 30, Yugoslavia 25, India 1
	Round 12: 59 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Philippines 32, Yugoslavia 24, India 2
540th 08-11-55	Round 13: 59 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Philippines 30, Yugoslavia 28
	Round 14: 59 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Philippines 31, Yugoslavia 27
	Round 15: 59 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Philippines 31, Yugoslavia 26
	Round 16: 59 votes, 3 abstentions, restricted	Philippines 29, Yugoslavia 27
	Round 17: 59 votes, 3 abstentions, unrestricted	Philippines 27, Yugoslavia 26, India 1, Uruguay 1, Yemen 1
	Round 18: 59 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Philippines 29, Yugoslavia 26, Bolivia 1, Burma 1, Liberia 1
	Round 19: 59 votes, 3 abstentions, unrestricted	Yugoslavia 26, Philippines 25, Burma 2, Bolivia 1, Liberia 1
	Round 20: 59 votes, 3 abstentions, restricted	Philippines 29, Yugoslavia 27
	Round 21: 59 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Philippines 30, Yugoslavia 27
551st 06-12-55	Round 22: 58 votes, restricted	Philippines 30, Yugoslavia 28
	Round 23: 59 votes, unrestricted	Philippines 30, Yugoslavia 27, Greece 1, Czechoslovakia 1
	Round 24: 59 votes, unrestricted	Philippines 31, Yugoslavia 28
	Round 25: 59 votes, unrestricted	Philippines 32, Yugoslavia 25, Iceland 1, Sweden 1
	Round 26: 59 votes, restricted	Philippines 33, Yugoslavia 26

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1955 UNGA10	Round 27: 59 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Philippines 32, Yugoslavia 26
continued	Round 28: 59 votes, restricted	Philippines 32, Yugoslavia 27
	Round 29: 59 votes, unrestricted	Philippines 29, Yugoslavia 25, Greece 1, Iceland 1, Sweden 1, Syria 1
558th 16-12-55	Round 30: 68 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Philippines 35, Yugoslavia 28, Sweden 2, Uruguay 1
	Round 31: 70 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Philippines 36, Yugoslavia 30, Sweden 2, Greece 1
	Round 32: 70 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Philippines 40, Yugoslavia 28
	Round 33: 70 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Philippines 37, Yugoslavia 32
	Round 34: 70 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Philippines 37, Yugoslavia 31
559th 16-12-55	Round 35: 69 votes, 10 abstentions, unrestricted	Yugoslavia 34, Philippines 19, Spain 2, Bulgaria 1, Italy 1, Sweden 1, Yemen 1
560th 20-12-55	Round 36: 70 votes, 13 abstentions, unrestricted	**Yugoslavia** 43, Philippines 11, Finland 1, Sweden 1 [one-year agreement between Philippines and Yugoslavia]
1956 UNGA11	**4 Rounds**	
612th 07-12-56	Round 1: 75 votes, 1 abstention	**Philippines** 51, Czechoslovakia 20, Afghanistan 1, Spain 1, Yugoslavia 1 [end of one-year term Yugoslavia]
612th 07-12-56	Round 1: 77 votes	**Colombia** 73, **Iraq** 69, Sweden 41, Spain 32, India 3, Italy 2, Brazil 1, Ireland 1, Liberia 1, Mexico 1, Norway 1, Yemen 1
	Round 2: 79 votes, restricted	Sweden 47, Spain 32
	Round 3: 77 votes, restricted	Sweden 49, Spain 28
627th 19-12-56	Round 4: 77 votes, unrestricted	**Sweden** 71, Spain 5, Italy 1
1957 UNGA12	**1 Round**	
695th 08-10-57	Round 1: 78 votes	**Panama** 74, **Canada** 72, **Japan** 55, Czechoslovakia 25, Argentina 1, Brazil 1, Chile 1, Dominican Republic 1, India 1, Italy 1, Sudan 1
1958 UNGA13	**1 Round**	
775th 08-10-58	Round 1: 79 votes	**Argentina** 78, **Italy** 76, **Tunisia** 74, Iran 2, Finland 1, Greece 1
1959 UNGA14	**52 Rounds**	
825th 12-10-59	Round 1: 80 votes	**Ecuador** 77, **Ceylon** 72, Poland 46, Turkey 36, Burma 1, Canada 1
	Round 2: 81 votes, restricted	Poland 43, Turkey 38
	Round 3: 81 votes, restricted	Poland 45, Turkey 36
	Round 4: 81 votes, unrestricted	Poland 46, Turkey 35
	Round 5: 81 votes, unrestricted	Poland 46, Turkey 34
	Round 6: 81 votes, unrestricted	Poland 46, Turkey 34, Jordan 1
	Round 7: 81 votes, restricted	Poland 48, Turkey 33
	Round 8: 81 votes, restricted	Poland 47, Turkey 34
	Round 9: 81 votes, restricted	Poland 48, Turkey 33
	Round 10: 81 votes, unrestricted	Poland 47, Turkey 34

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1959 UNGA14	Round 11: 80 votes, unrestricted	Poland 45, Turkey 35
continued	Round 12: 81 votes, unrestricted	Poland 46, Turkey 35
826th 12-10-59	Round 13: 81 votes, restricted	Poland 46, Turkey 34
827th 13-10-59	Round 14: 81 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Poland 43, Turkey 36
	Round 15: 80 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Poland 44, Turkey 34
	Round 16: 82 votes, 3 abstentions, unrestricted	Poland 41, Turkey 35, Yugoslavia 2, Sudan 1
	Round 17: 82 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Poland 40, Turkey 36, Yugoslavia 3, Libya 1, Sudan 1
	Round 18: 82 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Poland 38, Turkey 35, Yugoslavia 7
	Round 19: 82 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Poland 43, Turkey 37
	Round 20: 81 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Poland 44, Turkey 35
	Round 21: 82 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Poland 44, Turkey 36
	Round 22: 82 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Poland 42, Turkey 35, Yugoslavia 4
	Round 23: 82 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Poland 41, Turkey 34, Yugoslavia 6
	Round 24: 81 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Poland 38, Turkey 35, Yugoslavia 7
	Round 25: 82 votes, 3 abstentions, restricted	Poland 43, Turkey 36
830th 19-10-59	Round 26: 80 votes, restricted	Poland 44, Turkey 35
	Round 27: 81 votes, restricted	Poland 41, Turkey 40
	Round 28: 82 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Poland 41, Turkey 40
	Round 29: 81 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Turkey 41, Poland 39
	Round 30: 82 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Poland 41, Turkey 40
	Round 31: 82 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Turkey 42, Poland 39
835th 08-11-59	Round 32: 75 votes, restricted	Poland 39, Turkey 36
	Round 33: 79 votes, restricted	Turkey 41, Poland 38
	Round 34: 80 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Turkey 43, Poland 36
	Round 35: 81 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Poland 40, Turkey 40
	Round 36: 81 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Poland 40, Turkey 39, 1 Finland
	Round 37: 81 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Turkey 42, Poland 38
839th 17-11-59	Round 38: 81 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Poland 42, Turkey 38
	Round 39: 82 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Poland 42, Turkey 39
	Round 40: 82 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Poland 39, Turkey 39, Luxembourg 2, Ireland 1
	Round 41: 82 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Poland 40, Turkey 36, Ghana 1, Iceland 1, Ireland 1, Luxembourg 1, Ukrainian SSR 1
	Round 42: 82 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Poland 40, Turkey 39, Greece 1
	Round 43: 82 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Poland 42, Turkey 39
845th 01-12-59	Round 44: 77 votes, restricted	Poland 40, Turkey 37
	Round 45: 79 votes, restricted	Turkey 40, Poland 39
	Round 46: 80 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Poland 40, Turkey 37
	Round 47: 82 votes, unrestricted	Poland 42, Turkey 40

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1959 UNGA14	Round 48: 82 votes, unrestricted	Poland 41, Turkey 41
continued	Round 49: 81 votes, restricted	Turkey 42, Poland 39
853rd 11-12-59	Round 50: 78 votes, restricted	Poland 41, Turkey 37
	Round 51: 78 votes, restricted	Poland 41, Turkey 37
857th 12-12-59	Round 52: 80 votes, 4 abstentions, unrestricted	**Poland** 71, Turkey 3, Greece 1, Yemen 1 [one-year agreement between Poland and Turkey]
1960 UNGA15	14 Rounds	
941st 09-12-60	Round 1: 85 votes, 3 abstentions	**Turkey** 74, Liberia 4, Poland 2, United Arab Republic 1 [end of one-year term of Poland]
941st 09-12-60	Round 1: 94 votes, 1 abstention	**Chile** 74, **United Arab Republic** 74, Portugal 50, Liberia 32, Ethiopia 6, Ghana 5, Jordan 3, Nigeria 3, Cuba 2, Cote d'Ivoire 2, Panama 2, Cameroon 1, Canada 1, Dominican Republic 1, El Salvador 1, Guinea 1, Morocco 1, Norway 1, Saudi Arabia 1, Venezuela 1
	Round 2: 98 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Portugal 49, Liberia 47
	Round 3: 99 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Liberia 51, Portugal 46
	Round 4: 99 votes, unrestricted	Liberia 50, Portugal 42, Burma 1, Ghana 1, Netherlands 1, Norway 1, Spain 1, Sweden 1
	Round 5: 99 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Liberia 53, Portugal 39, Austria 2, Netherlands 1, Nigeria 1, Norway 1, Sweden 1
	Round 6: 98 votes, unrestricted	Liberia 54, Portugal 39, Austria 4, Norway 1
	Round 7: 98 votes, 5 abstentions, restricted	Liberia 55, Portugal 38
950th 20-12-60	Round 8: 94 votes, 4 abstentions, restricted	Liberia 45, Portugal 43
	Round 9: 94 votes, restricted	Liberia 48, Portugal 46 [Portugal withdraws in favor of Ireland]
	Round 10: 94 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Liberia 45, Ireland 36, Portugal 7, Cyprus 3, Ghana 1, Nigeria 1
	Round 11: 94 votes, unrestricted	Liberia 48, Ireland 38, Portugal 4, Cyprus 2, Mali 1, Nigeria 1
	Round 12: 94 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Liberia 44, Ireland 40, Portugal 3, Cyprus 2, Dahomey 1, Ghana 1, Nigeria 1
	Round 13: 93 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Ireland 45, Liberia 45
	Round 14: 93 votes, 7 abstentions, unrestricted	**Liberia** 76, Ireland 5, Portugal 2, Cyprus 1, Nigeria 1 [one-year agreement between Liberia and Ireland]
1961 UNGA16	10 Rounds	
1044th 30-10-61	Round 1: 103 votes, 2 abstentions	**Ireland** 83, Romania 10, Dahomey 1, Ghana 1, Philippines 1 [end of one-year term of Liberia]
1044th 30-10-61	Round 1: 103 votes	**Venezuela** 96, **Ghana** 88, Romania 58, Philippines 47, Nigeria 3, Austria 1, India 1, Guinea 1, New Zealand 1, Netherlands 1
	Round 2: 102 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Philippines 52, Romania 49
	Round 3: 102 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Philippines 54, Romania 48
1053rd 14-11-61	Round 4: 98 votes, unrestricted	Romania 49, Philippines 47, India 1, Japan 1
	Round 5: 102 votes, unrestricted	Romania 54, Philippines 47, India 1
	Round 6: 102 votes, unrestricted	Romania 53, Philippines 48, India 1
	Round 7: 103 votes, restricted	Romania 52, Philippines 49
	Round 8: 103 votes, restricted	Romania 55, Philippines 48
	Round 9: 103 votes, restricted	Romania 53, Philippines 50
1068th 01-12-61	Round 10: 97 votes, 5 abstentions, unrestricted	**Romania** 75, Philippines 16 [one-year agreement between Philippines and Romania]

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1962 UNGA17	**2 Rounds**	
1154th 17-10-62	Round 1: 105 votes, 2 abstentions,	**Philippines** 95, Nigeria 2, Norway 2, Afghanistan 1, Romania 1 [end of one-year term of Romania]
1154th 17-10-62	Round 1: 109 votes	**Brazil** 91, **Norway** 85, Morocco 57, Nigeria 30, Iran 28, Afghanistan 5, Ethiopia 2, Burma 1, Haiti 1, Israel 1, Mauritania 1
	Round 2: 109 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	**Morocco** 73, Nigeria 35
1963 UNGA18	**12 Rounds**	
1246th 18-10-63	Round 1: 109 votes, 1 abstention	**Côte d'Ivoire** 92, **Bolivia** 86, Czechoslovakia 63, Malaysia 56, Indonesia 1
	Round 2: 109 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Czechoslovakia 55, Malaysia 52
	Round 3: 109 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Czechoslovakia 55, Malaysia 52
	Round 4: 110 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Czechoslovakia 54, Malaysia 54
	Round 5: 110 votes, unrestricted	Czechoslovakia 56, Malaysia 51, Cambodia 1, Lebanon 1
1252nd 25-10-63	Round 6: 111 votes, unrestricted	Malaysia 56, Czechslovakia 55
	Round 7: 110 votes, unrestricted	Malaysia 58, Czechoslovakia 52
	Round 8: 110 votes, restricted	Czechoslovakia 56, Malaysia 54
	Round 9: 110 votes, restricted	Czechoslovakia 56, Malaysia 54
	Round 10: 109 votes, restricted	Czechoslovakia 58, Malaysia 51
	Round 11: 110 votes, unrestricted	Czechoslovakia 56, Malaysia 53, Honduras 1
1254th 01-11-63	Round 12: 102 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	**Czechoslovakia** 89, Malaysia 10 [one-year agreement between Czechoslovakia and Malaysia]
1964 UNGA19	**2 Rounds**	
1313th 29-12-64	Round 1: Consultations by the President	**Malaysia** [end of one-year term of Czechoslovakia]
1313th 29-12-64	Round 1: Consultations by the President	**Netherlands**, **Uruguay**, Jordan, Mali
1315th 30-12-64	Round 2: Consultations by the President	**Jordan**, Mali [one-year agreement between Jordan and Mali]
1965 UNGA20	**1 Round**	
1392nd 10-12-65	Round 1: 115 votes	**Argentina** 113, **Bulgaria** 108, **Nigeria** 107, **Mali** 105, **Uganda** 102, **New Zealand** 101, **Japan** 98, Mauritania 4, Somalia 3, Ceylon 1, Ethiopia 1, Guinea 1, Liberia 1, Madagascar 1, Pakistan 1, Spain 1, Thailand 1, United Republic of Tanzania 1
1966 UNGA21	**1 Round**	
1462nd 11-11-66	Round 1: 119 votes	**Brazil** 114, **Canada** 114, **Ethiopia** 109, **Denmark** 108, **India** 82, Syria 42, Sweden 3, Italy 1, Kenya 1, Pakistan 1, Senegal 1, Somalia 1
1967 UNGA22	**1 Round**	
1595th 06-11-67	Round 1: 118 votes	**Pakistan** 118, **Senegal** 110, **Algeria** 108, **Hungary** 105, **Paraguay** 101, Romania 3, Albania 2, Tunisia 2, Uruguay 2, Chile 1, Cyprus 1, Congo 1, Congo Democratic Republic 1, Cuba 1, Dahomey 1, Ecuador 1, Madagascar 1, Malawi 1, Morocco 1, Peru 1, Yugoslavia 1

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1968 UNGA23	**1 Round**	
1709th 01-11-68	Round 1: 126 votes	Nepal 120, **Finland** 119, **Colombia** 118, **Zambia** 115, **Spain** 110, Italy 5, Cuba 1, Guinea 1, Haiti 1, Ireland 1
1969 UNGA24	**1 Round**	
1787th 20-10-69	Round 1: 126 votes	**Poland** 121, **Burundi** 118, **Sierra Leone** 117, **Nicaragua** 103, **Syria** 101, Cuba 6, Peru 3, Togo 3, Lebanon 2, Tunisia 2, Botswana 1, Brazil 1, Haiti 1, Iraq 1, Israel 1, Japan 1, Jordan 1, Kenya 1, Mali 1, Mongolia 1, Panama 1, United Arab Republic 1, Yugoslavia 1
1970 UNGA25	**1 Round**	
1868th 16-10-70	Round 1: 113 votes	**Argentina** 109, **Italy** 108, **Belgium** 101, **Somalia** 101, **Japan** 102, Democratic Republic of Congo 2, Austria 1, Burma 1, Fiji 1, Haiti 1, India 1, Luxembourg 1
1971 UNGA26	**1 Round**	
1983rd 23-11-71	Round 1: 116 votes	**Yugoslavia** 112, **Sudan** 111, **Guinea** 109, **Panama** 108, **India** 107, Peru 2, Chile 1, Ethiopia 1, Fiji 1, Israel 1, Pakistan 1, Tunisia 1
1972 UNGA27	**1 Round**	
2070th 20-10-72	Round 1: 118 votes	**Peru** 116, **Austria** 115, **Indonesia** 115, **Kenya** 112, **Australia** 109, Haiti 1, Pakistan 1
1973 UNGA*28	**1 Round**	
2153rd 15-10-73	Round 1: 125 votes	**Mauritania** 120, **Cameroon** 120, **Iraq** 116, **Byelorussian SSR** 112, **Costa Rica** 104, Cuba 5, Jamaica 3, Romania 2, Honduras 1, Iran 1, Libya 1
1974 UNGA29	**1 Round**	
2266th 11-10-74	Round 1: 129 votes	**Sweden** 127, **Italy** 125, **Guyana** 123, **Tanzania** 122, **Japan** 121, Liberia 2, Bolivia 1, Brazil 1, Congo 1, Cuba 1, Finland 1, India 1, Nigeria 1, Zambia 1
1975 UNGA30	**8 Rounds**	
2384th 20-10-75	Round 1: 140 votes	**Romania** 137, **Dahomey** 133, **Panama** 132, **Liberia** 126, India 80, Pakistan 59, Philippines 28, Cuba 2, Argentina 1, Bolivia 1, Morocco 1, Nigeria 1, Rwanda 1, Senegal 1, Sierra Leone 1, Venezuela 1, Yugoslavia 1, Zambia 1
	Round 2: 140 votes, 4 abstentions, restricted	Pakistan 76, India 59
	Round 3: 140 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Pakistan 73, India 64
	Round 4: 140 votes, 3 abstentions, restricted	Pakistan 78, India 59
2385th 20-10-75	Round 5: 139 votes, 1 abstentions, unrestricted	Pakistan 60, India 54, Philippines 20, Bhutan 1
	Round 6: 135 votes, 1 abstentions, unrestricted	Pakistan 72, India 38, Papua New Guinea 1
2386th 21-10-75	Round 7: 137 votes, 4 abstentions, unrestricted	Pakistan 75, India 58 [withdrew]
2387th 23-10-75	Round 8: 136 votes, 8 abstentions, restricted	**Pakistan** 131

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1976 UNGA31	**1 Round**	
40th 21-10-76	Round 1: 138 votes	**Venezuela** 136, **Mauritius** 134, **India** 132, **Canada** 126, **Federal Republic of Germany** 119, Poland 2, Austria 1, Belgium 1, Bhutan 1, Burundi 1, Chile 1, Cuba 1, Denmark 1, Greece 1, Ireland 1, Kenya 1, Luxembourg 1, Madagascar 1, Philippines 1, Portugal 1, Spain 1, Turkey 1, Yugoslavia 1
1977 UNGA32	**5 Rounds**	
93rd 24-10-77	Round 1: 145 votes, 1 abstention	**Czechoslovakia** 131, **Kuwait** 130, **Bolivia** 115, **Gabon** 109, Niger 85, Nigeria 84, Jamaica 13, Cuba 5, Argentina 1, Iraq 1, Oman 1, Poland 1, Zambia 1
	Round 2: 146 votes, restricted	Nigeria 83, Niger 62
	Round 3: 146 votes, restricted	Nigeria 89, Niger 57
	Round 4: 144 votes, 5 abstentions, restricted	Nigeria 92, Niger 49
	Round 5: 145 votes, 16 abstentions, unrestricted	**Nigeria** 96, Niger 27, Cuba 2, Angola 1, Senegal 1, Tanzania 1
1978 UNGA33	**5 Rounds**	
34th 10-11-78	Round 1: 149 votes	**Jamaica** 145, **Zambia** 144, **Norway** 118, Bangladesh 84, Portugal 84, Malta 81, Japan 65, Comoros 1, Peru 1
	Round 2: 149 votes, restricted	Bangladesh 87, Portugal 77, Malta 70, Japan 61 [withdrew]
51st 10-11-78	Round 3: 142 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	**Bangladesh** 125, Portugal 81, Malta 59, Japan 2
	Round 4: 145 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Portugal 93, Malta 51
	Round 5: 146 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	**Portugal** 99, Malta 45
1979 UNGA34	**155 Rounds**	
47th 26-10-79	Round 1: 149 votes	**Tunisia** 143, **Niger** 140, **German Democratic Republic** 133, **Philippines** 131, Cuba 77, Colombia 68, Yugoslavia 2, Bulgaria 1, Democratic Yemen 1, Jordan 1, Libya 1, Romania 1, Zaire 1
	Round 2: 148 votes, 3 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 79, Colombia 69
	Round 3: 147 votes, 3 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 78, Colombia 66
	Round 4: 148 votes, 4 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 79, Colombia 65
	Round 5: 147 votes, 3 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 80, Colombia 61, Peru 2, Brazil 1
48th 26-10-79	Round 6: 147 votes, 3 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 80, Colombia 62
	Round 7: 148 votes, 5 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 84, Colombia 60
	Round 8: 147 votes, 5 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 83, Colombia 61
	Round 9: 147 votes, 3 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 81, Colombia 63
	Round 10: 148 votes, 3 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 79, Colombia 66
	Round 11: 148 votes, 3 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 80, Colombia 65
	Round 12: 147 votes, 4 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 79, Colombia 64
	Round 13: 147 votes, 3 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 79, Colombia 65
49th 30-10-79	Round 14: 142 votes, 5 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 74, Colombia 63
	Round 15: 148 votes, 3 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 79, Colombia 66
	Round 16: 148 votes, 3 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 79, Colombia 66

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1979 UNGA 34 continued	Round 17: 148 votes, 3 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 78, Colombia 65, Saint Lucia 1
	Round 18: 147 votes, 3 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 79, Colombia 64, Saint Lucia 1
	Round 19: 146 votes, 3 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 76, Colombia 62, Saint Lucia 2, Chile 1, Peru 1
33rd 02-11-79	Round 20: 144 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 77, Colombia 65
	Round 21: 146 votes, 3 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 78, Colombia 64
	Round 22: 147 votes, 3 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 78, Colombia 66
	Round 23: 147 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 80, Colombia 60, Mexico 2, Argentina 1, Guatemala 1, Honduras 1, Saint Lucia 1
	Round 24: 148 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 79, Colombia 63, Saint Lucia 2, Argentina 1, Chile 1, Mexico 1
	Round 25: 147 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 80, Colombia 61, Mexico 1, Nicaragua 1, Paraguay 1, Saint Lucia 1
	Round 26: 146 votes, 3 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 80, Colombia 63
	Round 27: 143 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 80, Colombia 60
	Round 28: 144 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 80, Colombia 62
83rd 30-11-79	Round 29: 147 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 82, Colombia 63, Saint Lucia 1
	Round 30: 146 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 83, Colombia 60, Peru 1, Saint Lucia 1
	Round 31: 148 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 88, Colombia 57, Mexico 1, Saint Lucia 1
	Round 32: 148 votes, 3 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 87, Colombia 58
	Round 33: 148 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 84, Colombia 63
	Round 34: 147 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 86, Colombia 59
	Round 35: 146 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 83, Colombia 56, Brazil 2, Chile 1, Mexico 1, Venezuela 1
	Round 36: 144 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 83, Colombia 57, Brazil 1, Mexico 1, Uruguay 1
	Round 37: 145 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 82, Colombia 57, Chile 1, Mexico 1, Paraguay 1, Uruguay 1
	Round 38: 146 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 87, Colombia 57
	Round 39: 148 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 85, Colombia 62
	Round 40: 148 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 87, Colombia 60
80th 05-12-79	Round 41: 145 votes, 3 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 83, Colombia 58, Uruguay 1
	Round 42: 147 votes, 3 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 85, Colombia 58, Uruguay 1
	Round 43: 147 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 85, Colombia 58, Argentina 1, Uruguay 1
	Round 44: 146 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 86, Colombia 59
	Round 45: 148 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 86, Colombia 60
	Round 46: 148 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 86, Colombia 60
	Round 47: 145 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 82, Colombia 62, Uruguay 1
80th 05-12-79	Round 48: 142 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 80, Colombia 66
	Round 49: 145 votes, 3 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 79, Colombia 65
	Round 50: 147 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 82, Colombia 63
	Round 51: 145 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 80, Colombia 63
	Round 52: 146 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 82, Colombia 63
	Round 53: 146 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 82, Colombia 60

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1979 UNGA 34	Round 54: 147 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 80, Colombia 62, Brazil 1, Mexico 1, Nicaragua 1
continued	Round 55: 147 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 84, Colombia 59, Brazil 1, El Salvador 1
	Round 56: 147 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 84, Colombia 62
	Round 57: 145 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 81, Colombia 62
	Round 58: 147 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 84, Colombia 62
98th 11-12-79	Round 59: 147 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 88, Colombia 57, Uruguay 1
	Round 60: 147 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 86, Colombia 58, Suriname 1, Uruguay 1
	Round 61: 146 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 83, Colombia 58, Suriname 2, Honduras 1, Uruguay 1
	Round 62: 146 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 85, Colombia 60
	Round 63: 146 votes, 3 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 82, Colombia 61
	Round 64: 145 votes, 3 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 81, Colombia 61
	Round 65: 146 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 82, Colombia 58, Brazil 1, El Salvador 1, Honduras 1, Suriname 1
	Round 66: 144 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 79, Colombia 58, Brazil 2, Chile 1
	Round 67: 146 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 81, Colombia 57, Brazil 3, Suriname 1
	Round 68: 146 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 81, Colombia 60
	Round 69: 141 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 79, Colombia 58
	Round 70: 147 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 82, Colombia 64
102nd 13-12-79	Round 71: 145 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 79, Colombia 63
	Round 72: 146 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 82, Colombia 60, Brazil 1
	Round 73: 146 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 85, Colombia 57, Chile 1, Peru 1, Suriname 1
	Round 74: 148 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 86, Colombia 59
	Round 75: 147 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 91, Colombia 55
	Round 76: 149 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 91, Colombia 55
	Round 77: 149 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 89, Colombia 58
	Round 78: 145 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 86, Colombia 57
	Round 79: 145 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 82, Colombia 62
106th 17-12-79	Round 80: 149 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 89, Colombia 58
	Round 81: 147 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 89, Colombia 56
	Round 82: 148 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 89, Colombia 57
	Round 83: 147 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 90, Colombia 54
	Round 84: 148 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 89, Colombia 55, Peru 2, Argentina 1
	Round 85: 148 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 88, Colombia 56, Peru 2, Costa Rica 1
	Round 86: 147 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 90, Colombia 56
	Round 87: 147 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 91, Colombia 55
	Round 88: 149 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 95, Colombia 53
	Round 89: 144 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 88, Colombia 54, Peru 1
	Round 90: 147 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 89, Colombia 56, Peru 1

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1979 UNGA34	Round 91: 144 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 86, Colombia 56, Peru 1
continued	Round 92: 147 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 89, Colombia 57
	Round 93: 144 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 87, Colombia 56
	Round 94: 145 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 90, Colombia 54
108th 18-12-79	Round 95: 148 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 88, Colombia 58, Peru 1
	Round 96: 147 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 84, Colombia 84, Peru 2
	Round 97: 146 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 82, Colombia 60, Peru 3
	Round 98: 147 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 82, Colombia 62
	Round 99: 148 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 86, Colombia 60
	Round 100: 148 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 88, Colombia 58
	Round 101: 147 votes, unrestricted	Cuba 87, Colombia 51, Peru 9
	Round 102: 146 votes, unrestricted	Cuba 83, Colombia 47, Peru 16, Guatemala 1, Guyana 1
	Round 103: 147 votes, unrestricted	Cuba 79, Colombia 44, Peru 23, Panama 1
	Round 104: 148 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 86, Colombia 60
	Round 105: 145 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 88, Colombia 54
	Round 106: 146 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 87, Colombia 57
	Round 107: 145 votes, unrestricted	Cuba 81, Colombia 52, Peru 10
	Round 108: 144 votes, unrestricted	Cuba 79, Colombia 55, Peru 7, Brazil 1, Chile 1, Saint Lucia 1
	Round 109: 147 votes, unrestricted	Cuba 81, Colombia 60, Brazil 2, Peru 2, Chile 1, Mexico 1
	Round 110: 147 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 86, Colombia 59
	Round 111: 147 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 87, Colombia 58
	Round 112: 147 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 88, Colombia 58
109th 19-12-79	Round 113: 146 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 85, Colombia 57, Ecuador 1, Peru 1, Uruguay 1
	Round 114: 146 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 85, Colombia 56, Uruguay 2, Brazil 1, Ecuador 1
	Round 115: 146 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 83, Colombia 56, Haiti 2, Uruguay 2, Brazil 1, Ecuador 1
110th 19-12-79	Round 116: 142 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 82, Colombia 59
	Round 117: 142 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 86, Colombia 54
	Round 118: 147 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 92, Colombia 54
	Round 119: 149 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 88, Colombia 56
	Round 120: 148 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 84, Colombia 59, Mexico 2, El Salvador 1
	Round 121: 148 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 86, Colombia 60, Honduras 1
	Round 122: 147 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 88, Colombia 57
	Round 123: 149 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 91, Colombia 57
	Round 124: 148 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 88, Colombia 58
112th 27-12-79	Round 125: 147 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 83, Colombia 60, Ecuador 1, Uruguay 1
	Round 126: 149 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 85, Colombia 61, Ecuador 1, Uruguay 1
	Round 127: 149 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 85, Colombia 61, Ecuador 1

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1979 UNGA34	Round 128: 149 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 85, Colombia 62
continued	Round 129: 149 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 84, Colombia 63
	Round 130: 148 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 81, Colombia 65
113th 27-12-79	Round 131: 146 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 83, Colombia 59, Costa Rica 1, Honduras 1
	Round 132: 147 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Cuba 82, Colombia 63, Costa Rica 1
	Round 133: 148 votes, 3 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 81, Colombia 64
	Round 134: 148 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 81, Colombia 65
	Round 135: 148 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Cuba 83, Colombia 64
	Round 136: 149 votes, 3 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 83, Colombia 63
	Round 137: 148 votes, 3 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 80, Colombia 64, Venezuela 1
	Round 138: 147 votes, 3 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 80, Colombia 62, Venezuela 2
	Round 139: 148 votes, 3 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 80, Colombia 62, Venezuela 2, Barbados 1
	Round 140: 143 votes, 3 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 78, Colombia 62
	Round 141: 146 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 81, Colombia 63
	Round 142: 146 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 83, Colombia 61
	Round 143: 145 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 79, Colombia 63, Mexico 1
118th 31-12-79	Round 144: 138 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 73, Colombia 61, Mexico 2
	Round 145: 143 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 78, Colombia 60, Mexico 2, Peru 1
	Round 146: 144 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 82, Colombia 59
	Round 147: 143 votes, 3 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 79, Colombia 61
	Round 148: 144 votes, 5 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 78, Colombia 61
119th 04-01-80	Round 149: 139 votes, 4 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 69, Colombia 63, Honduras 1, Mexico 1, Peru 1
	Round 150: 141 votes, 5 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 70, Colombia 64, Mexico 1, Panama 1
	Round 151: 145 votes, 3 abstentions, unrestricted	Cuba 74, Colombia 66, Mexico 1, Panama 1
	Round 152: 146 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 74, Colombia 70
	Round 153: 146 votes, 3 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 72, Colombia 71
	Round 154: 146 votes, 3 abstentions, restricted	Cuba 74, Colombia 69 [both withdrew in favor of the endorsement of Mexico]
120th 07-01-80	Round 155: 144 votes, 8 abstentions, unrestricted	**Mexico** 133, Cuba 3
1980 UNGA35	**22 Rounds**	
41st 20-10-1980	Round 1: 151 votes	**Japan** 141, **Uganda** 134, **Spain** 109, **Ireland** 107, Costa Rica 89, Malta 74, Guyana 9, Nicaragua 6, Panama 2, Zimabawe 2, Chad 1, Grenada 1, Senegal 1
42nd 20-10-80	Round 2: 145 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Costa Rica 74, Guyana 70
43rd 21-10-80	Round 3: 151 votes, 6 abstentions, restricted	Costa Rica 90, Guyana 47
	Round 4: 151 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Costa Rica 86, Guyana 36, Nicaragua 22, Cuba 4, Barbados 1, Chile 1, Peru 1
	Round 5: 151 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Costa Rica 87, Nicaragua 30, Guyana 25, Cuba 2, Dominican Republic 2, Panama 1, Peru 1
	Round 6: 151 votes, 2 abstentions, unrestricted	Costa Rica 86, Nicaragua 40, Guyana 19, Dominican Republic 3, Cuba 1

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1980 UNGA35	Round 7: 151 votes, 5 abstentions, restricted	Costa Rica 86, Nicaragua 60
47th 24-10-80	Round 8: 148 votes, 5 abstentions, restricted	Costa Rica 81, Nicaragua 62
	Round 9: 147 votes, 5 abstentions, restricted	Costa Rica 82, Nicaragua 60
51st 04-11-80	Round 10: 135 votes, 3 abstentions, unrestricted	**Costa Rica** 82, Panama 16, Guyana 12, Nicaragua 10, Saint Lucia 4, Brazil 3, Cuba 2, Barbados 1, Grenada 1, Peru 1
	Round 11: 143 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Costa Rica 84, Panama 38, Guyana 8, Nicaragua 7, Brazil 2, Cuba 1, Guatemala 1, Haiti 1
	Round 12: 143 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Costa Rica 83, Panama 25, Guyana 18, Nicaragua 10, Brazil 4, Cuba 2
	Round 13: 144 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Costa Rica 85, Panama 57
57th 11-11-80	Round 14: 150 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Costa Rica 75, Panama 73
	Round 15: 147 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Panama 75, Costa Rica 71
	Round 16: 150 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Panama 79, Costa Rica 62, Guyana 3, Barbados 1, Cuba 1, Ecuador 1, Nicaragua 1, Trinidad and Tobago 1
	Round 17: 149 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Panama 83, Costa Rica 62, Barbados 1, Ecuador 1, Guyana 1
	Round 18: 147 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Panama 85, Costa Rica 59, Barbados 1, Ecuador 1
	Round 19: 147 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Panama 88, Costa Rica 58
	Round 20: 146 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Panama 91, Costa Rica 53
	Round 21: 147 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	Panama 93, Costa Rica 52
61st 13-11-80	Round 22: 140 votes, 5 abstentions, unrestricted	**Panama** 111, Costa Rica 16, Cuba 2, Bolivia 1
1981 UNGA36	**1 Round**	
35th 15-10-81	Round 1: 153 votes	**Togo** 141, **Guyana** 140, **Jordan** 140, **Zaire** 140, **Poland** 139, Romania 5, Dominican Republic 3, Angola 2, Cuba 2, Mozambique 2, Algeria 1, Ethiopia 1, Hungary 1, Mongolia 1, Pakistan 1, Peru 1, Saint Lucia 1, Senegal 1, Singapore 1, Yugoslavia 1
1982 UNGA37	**3 Rounds**	
36th 19-10-82	Round 1: 153 votes	**Zimbabwe** 138, **Pakistan** 127, Netherlands 100, Malta 94, Nicaragua 92, New Zealand 77, Dominican Republic 59, Sierra Leone 6, Barbados 1, Benin 1, Comoros 1, Congo 1, Cyprus 1, Denmark 1, Ghana 1, India 1, Senegal 1
	Round 2: 155 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	**Netherlands** 103, Malta 102, Nicaragua 99, New Zealand 96, Dominican Republic 55
	Round 3: 155 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	**Malta** 111, **Nicaragua** 104, Dominican Republic 50, New Zealand 43
1983 UNGA38	**1 Round**	
40th 31-10-83	Round 1: 155 votes	**Upper Volta** 145, **India** 142, **Ukrainian SSR** 139, **Egypt** 125, **Peru** 106, Barbados 38, Algeria 24, Mexico 4, Japan 2, Sri Lanka 2, Yugoslavia 2, Argentina 1, Bahamas 1, Bangladesh 1, Bulgaria 1, Byelorussian SSR 1, Cuba 1, Libya 1, Mongolia 1

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1984 UNGA39	11 Rounds	
33rd 22-10-84	Round 1: 158 votes	**Australia** 146, **Denmark** 145, **Trinidad and Tobago** 142, Thailand 99, Ethiopia 85, Somalia 75, Mongolia 56, Ecuador 6, Austria 6, Venezuela 2, Barbados 1, Dominican Republic 1, Finland 1, Federal Republic Germany 1, Haiti 1
	Round 2: 156 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Thailand 100, Ethiopia 84, Somalia 72, Mongolia 54
34th 22-10-84	Round 3: 158 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Thailand 103, Ethiopia 82, Somalia 74, Mongolia 51
	Round 4: 158 votes, 2 abstentions, restricted	**Thailand** 106, Ethiopia 83, Somalia 72, Mongolia 49
77th 28-11-84	Round 5: 152 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Ethiopia 81, Somalia 68, United Republic of Tanzania 2
	Round 6: 149 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Ethiopia 77, Somalia 66, Kenya 2, United Republic of Tanzania 2
	Round 7: 150 votes, 1 abstention, unrestricted	Ethiopia 76, Somalia 67, United Republic of Tanzania 3, Kenya 2, Cameroon 1
	Round 8: 151 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Ethiopia 79, Somalia 70
	Round 9: 152 votes, restricted	Ethiopia 78, Somalia 72
	Round 10: 152 votes, restricted	Ethiopia 75, Somalia 75 [both withdrew in favor of endorsement of Madagascar]
105th 18-12-84	Round 11: 147 votes, 11 abstentions, unrestricted	**Madagascar** 126, Kenya 4, Comoros 3, Burundi 1, Mali 1, Morocco 1
1985 UNGA40	4 Rounds	
38th 17-10-85	Round 1: 148 votes, 1 abstention	**Bulgaria** 135, **Congo** 133, **Venezuela** 131, **United Arab Emirates** 126, Liberia 87, Ghana 45, Cameroon 7, German Democratic Republic 2, Pakistan 2, Syria 2, Bangladesh 1, Bolivia 1, Burundi 1, Cuba 1, Dominican Republic 1, Gabon 1, Jamaica 1, Japan 1, Mexico 1, Mozambique 1
	Round 2: 156 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Ghana 81, Liberia 70
	Round 3: 154 votes, restricted	Ghana 94, Liberia 59
	Round 4: 156 votes, restricted	**Ghana** 109, Liberia 46
1986 UNGA41	1 Round	
40th 17-10-86	Round 1: 154 votes	**Zambia** 154, **Argentina** 143, **Italy** 143, **Federal Republic of Germany** 111, **Japan** 107, India 36, Sweden 16, Ireland 14, Bolivia 3, Argentina 1, Belgium 1, Belize 1, Cuba 1, Finland 1, Greece 1, Lesotho 1, Malaysia 1, Mexico 1, Netherlands 1, Senegal 1, Sudan 1
1987 UNGA42	2 Rounds	
40th 20-10-87	Round 1: 158 votes	**Brazil** 151, **Yugoslavia** 146, **Nepal** 144, **Senegal** 132, Algeria 108, Morocco 61, Nigeria 2, Benin 1, Guyana 1, India 1, Libya 1, Pakistan 1, Romania 1
	Round 2: 158 votes, 3 abstentions, restricted	**Algeria** 113, 51, Morocco 42
1988 UNGA43	3 Rounds	
37th 26-10-88	Round 1: 157 votes	Colombia 154, **Ethiopia** 144, **Canada** 127, Malaysia 104, Finland 100, Greece 77, Bangladesh 55, Somalia 3, Cuba 2, Bahamas 1, Mauritius 1, Sudan 1
	Round 2: 158 votes, restricted	Malaysia 147, Finland 99, Greece 56, Bangladesh 3
	Round 3: 157 votes, restricted	Finland 110, Greece 47

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1989 UNGA44	**1 Round**	
34th 24-10-89	Rounds 1: 157 votes	**Cuba** 146, **Democratic Republic of Yemen** 140, **Romania** 136, **Cote d'Ivoire** 135, **Zaire** 128, Yemen 6, Argentina 1, Barbados 1, Costa Rica 1, Ghana 1, India 1, Mali 1, Niger 1, Poland 1, Zambia 1
1990 UNGA45	**1 Round**	
36th 09-11-90	Round 1: 154 votes	**Austria** 130, **Ecuador** 149, **Zimbabwe** 146, **Belgium** 143, **India** 141, Sri Lanka 2, Australia 1, Spain 1, Hungary 1, Iran 1, Japan 1, Liechtenstein 1, Mexico 1, Peru 1, Tanzania 1, Sweden 1, Venezuela 1, Yugoslavia 1
1991 UNGA46	**1 Round**	
32nd 17-10-91	Round 1: 161 votes	**Cape Verde** 158, **Japan** 158, **Venezuela** 154, **Hungary** 149, **Morocco** 148, Nigeria 2, Argentina 1, Honduras 1, Tunisia 1, Yugoslavia 1
1992 UNGA47	**3 Rounds**	
48th 11-11-92	Round 1: 173 votes	**Djibouti** 170, **Brazil** 168, **Pakistan** 161, **Spain** 118, Sweden 109, New Zealand 108, Iran 1, Nigeria 1
	Round 2: 173 votes, restricted	New Zealand 99, Sweden 74
	Round 3: 172 votes, restricted	**New Zealand** 117, Sweden 55
1993 UNGA48	**4 Rounds**	
43rd 29-10-93	Round 1: 176 votes	**Oman** 174, **Argentina** 169, **Rwanda** 153, Czech Republic 113, Guinea-Bissau 82, Belarus 62, Burundi 2, Honduras 1
	Round 2: 176 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	**Czech Republic** 127, Nigeria 105, Guinea-Bissau 68, Belarus 47
	Round 3: 176 votes, 1 abstention, restricted	Nigeria 116, Guinea-Bissau 59
44th 29-10-93	Round 4: 162 votes, 8 abstentions, restricted	**Nigeria** 119, Guinea-Bissau 33 [withdrew]
1994 UNGA49	**1 Round**	
40th 20-10-94	Round 1: 170 votes	**Honduras** 170, **Botswana** 168, **Italy** 167, **Germany** 164, **Indonesia** 164, Australia 1, Japan 1
1995 UNGA50	**1 Round**	
53rd 08-11-95	Round 1: 177 votes	**Chile** 168, **Egypt** 159, **Republic of Korea** 156, **Guinea-Bissau** 128, **Poland** 128, Benin 60, Albania 48, Ghana 1, Mexico 1, Tunisia 1
1996 UNGA51	**2 Rounds**	
39th 21-10-96	Round 1: 181 votes	**Kenya** 172, **Sweden** 153, **Japan** 142, Portugal 112, Costa Rica 105, Australia 91, Bolivia 73, India 40, Colombia 1, Dominican Republic 1
	Round 2: 181 votes	**Costa Rica** 167, **Portugal** 124, Australia 57, Bolivia 5 [withdrew]
1997 UNGA52	**1 Round**	
30th 14-10-97	Round 1: 174 votes	**Bahrain** 172, **Gabon** 171, **Gambia** 169, **Brazil** 167, **Slovenia** 140, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia 30, Argentina 1, Zambia 1

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1998 UNGA53	**1 Round**	
33rd 08-10-98	Round 1: 176 votes	**Malaysia** 174, **Argentina** 171, **Namibia** 167, **Canada** 131, **Netherlands** 122, Greece 87, Chile 1, Philippines 1, Senegal 1, Zimbabwe 1
1999 UNGA54	**4 Rounds**	
34th 14-10-99	Round 1: 172 votes	**Bangladesh** 172, **Tunisia** 172, **Mali** 171, **Jamaica** 171, Ukraine 92, Slovakia 79
	Round 2: 171 votes, restricted	Ukraine 98, Slovakia 72
	Round 3: 170 votes, restricted	Ukraine 113, Slovakia 57 [withdrew]
	Round 4: 168 votes, 6 abstentions, restricted	**Ukraine** 158, Slovakia 3
2000 UNGA55	**4 Rounds**	
32nd 10-10-00	Round 1: 173 votes	**Colombia** 168, **Singapore** 168, **Ireland** 130, Norway 114, Italy 94, Mauritius 95, Sudan 69
	Round 2: 173 votes, restricted	Mauritius 102, Norway 100, Italy 70, Sudan 65
	Round 3: 172 votes, restricted	Mauritius 110, Norway 110, Italy 62, Sudan 58
	Round 4: 173 votes, restricted	**Norway** 115, **Mauritius** 113, Italy 57, Sudan 55
2001 UNGA56	**2 Rounds**	
23rd 08-10-01	Round 1: 178 votes	**Guinea** 173, **Cameroon** 172, **Syrian Arab Republic** 160, **Bulgaria** 120, Mexico 116, Dominican Republic 60, Belarus 53, Dominica 1
	Round 2: 178 votes, restricted	**Mexico** 138, Dominican Republic 40
2002 UNGA57	**1 Round**	
20th 27-09-02	Round 1: 183 votes	**Angola** 181, **Germany** 180, **Spain** 180, **Chile** 178, **Pakistan** 172, India 1
2003 UNGA58	**1 Round**	
42nd 23-10-03	Round 1: 182 votes	**Benin** 181, **Philippines** 179, **Algeria** 178, **Brazil** 177, **Romania** 174, Argentina 1, Poland 1, Republic of Korea 1
2004 UNGA59	**Round 1**	
32nd 15-10-4	Round 1: 189 votes	**Argentina** 188, **Greece** 187, **United Republic of Tanzania** 186, **Japan** 184, **Denmark** 181, Bhutan 1